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DR. CHARLES L. PARSONS



Dr. Charles L. Parsons, secretary of the American chemical society, is in large measure responsible for the fine program for the society's "peace meeting" which opens in Philadelphia on September 2.

## RAIL STRIKE IS ENDED

Train Service Is Resumed in Southern California.

Walkout Menaced Water Supply of Desert Towns and Nearly Resulted in Shortage of Gasoline.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 1.—Practically all striking steam road engineers, conductors, brakemen and switchmen reported back to work, following a vote to discontinue their strikes here, which was completed at night.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.—Conditions nearer normal than for many days, so far as railroad transportation was concerned, greeted southern California residents today.

With the engineers, conductors firemen and a majority of the yardmen and brakemen pledged to return to work after their strike in sympathy with striking employees of the Pacific electric lines railroad officials arranged to move trains on virtually normal schedules.

Resumption of train operation put an end to a situation without precedent in this section. Quantities of mail had piled up here destined for points not reachable by boat or automobile. Desert towns dependent on the railroads for their supplies of water were forced to conserve available supplies, while conservation measures were taken in many points to guard the dwindling supply of gasoline.

The situation in central California, where fruit canning operations and other industries largely dependent upon quick transportation had been forced to reduce activities, largely was alleviated by the return of strikers at San Francisco and Oakland.

## GIVES UP EASTERN GALICIA

Petlura Government in Ukraine and Poland Enter Agreement—Allied Troops Withdrawn.

London, Sept. 1.—Under the agreement between the Petlura government of the Ukraine and Poland, the former renounces all claims to eastern Galicia, the Polish government undertakes not to enter territory occupied by the Petlura troops and both governments will combine military operations against the bolsheviks, according to a wireless dispatch sent out by the soviet government at Moscow. The dispatch declares that all British Canadian and Japanese troops have been withdrawn from Vladivostok and in the Kherson region the forces of General Denikin are retreating in disorder. It points out that this retirement is important to the bolsheviks because it strengthens the defense of Kiev from the south.

R. J. Cooper, Nashville Lawyer Who Was Freed of Murder Charge, Found in Creek.

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 1.—Robin J. Cooper, a Nashville lawyer, who was acquitted of the murder of former Senator Edward W. Carmack in 1908, after a sensational trial, was found dead in Richland creek, near his home in Belle Meade park, a suburb. The police believe he was murdered.

Red Cross Nurse Cited.

Washington, Sept. 1.—An American army citation for "prompt and intelligent action" in a troop train wreck in France has been awarded Miss Anna P. Whelpley of Caldwell, N. J., an American Red Cross nurse.

## PERSHING SCORNS CONGRESS PROBE

General Refuses to Testify Before War Expenditures Body in Paris.

BELIEVED CALL WAS SOCIAL

Committee From Washington Understood Commander Would Tell of Sales of Surplus Stocks and Other Subjects.

Paris, Sept. 1.—General Pershing has refused to testify before the war expenditures committee of congress, the members of which called on him. There appears to have been a misunderstanding between the committee and the general. The committee understood he would testify with regard to sales of surplus stocks and any other subjects on which it desired light. He believed the committee's call was to be purely social.

Pershing Explains Refusal.

General Pershing, on being shown statements issued by the members of the congressional committee investigating war expenditures, said that all the activities of the American expeditionary forces were of course open to investigation, but that he found it impossible on the last day of his stay in France to comply with the request of the committee, as all his records had been shipped to the United States. Italy Loses Land.

The supreme council has fixed the boundaries of Styria and decided that no plebiscite should be held there. The Austrians were opposed to a plebiscite and the Italians desired one.

The supreme council decided to hand the peace treaty with Austria to the Austrian delegation next Tuesday afternoon. Five days will be granted the Austrians for signature of the treaty.

The council concluded its examination of the treaty and approved the covering letter. The text of the treaty will be sent to printers this evening. Premier Clemenceau presided.

Fear Monarchist Reaction.

Vienna, Sept. 1.—News dispatches from Budapest and editorial comment in Hungarian newspapers received here expressed the belief that events in Hungary presage a return to the monarchist form of government.

The Christian nationalist party are asserted to be thinly veiled monarchists. There are indications that there is a closer censorship on dispatches from Budapest.

Advices received from Budapest indicate that before the formation of the new Hungarian cabinet by Stephen Friedrich there were suspicions that the Roumanians were intriguing against the formation of any new government. As late as Monday the Roumanians declared they would not recognize any ministry that did not favor their interests.

Elements favoring a political and economic union between Roumania and Hungary are said to have been very active in Budapest. It is alleged that Hungarian politicians seem completely under Roumanian influence. There is much skepticism as to the possibility of the peace conference affording Hungary any relief.

## STRIKE AT THEATER ENDS

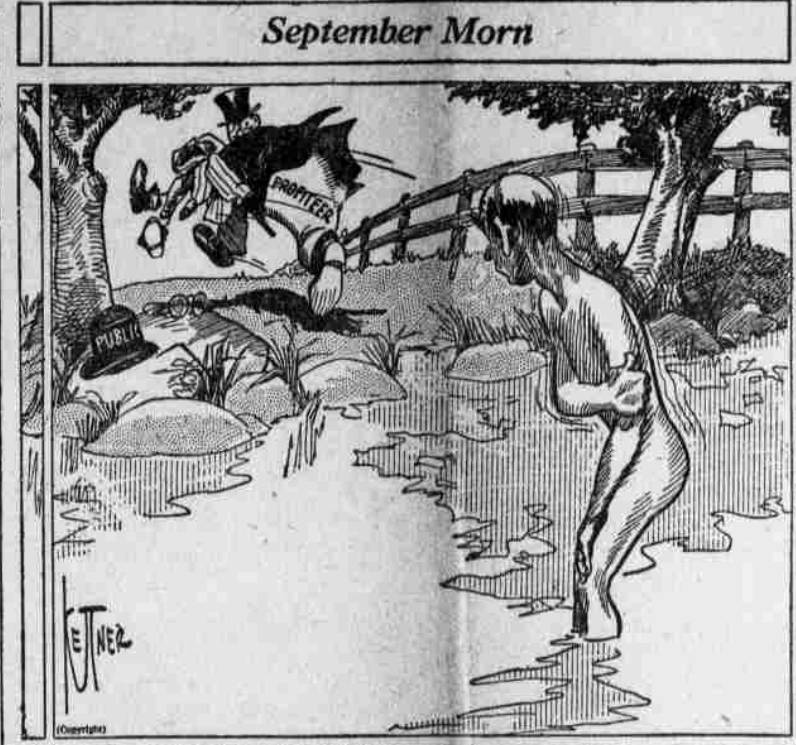
Manager of New York Hippodrome Grants Demands of Chorus Equity Association.

New York, Sept. 1.—The strike at the New York Hippodrome, which plunged the biggest theater in the world into darkness Thursday night, was called off following a meeting of representatives of the Hippodrome management with officials of the Chorus Equity association, Actors' Equity association and the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Motion Picture operators. It was announced that the Hippodrome would reopen with its spectacular production, and would continue thereafter unmolested. Marie Dressler, president of the Chorus Equity association, stated that the terms of settlement included recognition of the Chorus Equity association and granting of demands for extra pay for performances in excess of eight a week.

## COURAGE DOES NOT ATONE

Ruling Made by Judge Advocate That Criminal Record Stands Despite War Service.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Loyal service in the army during the recent war cannot be considered as wiping out a soldier's past, the judge advocate general has ruled. An adverse opinion was rendered on the question of whether a man possessing a criminal record before entering the army could be re-enlisted at this time.



## HUNGARIAN RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED

LICENSES OPEN TO SHIPPERS, BUT BAN ON EXPORTATION OF MUNITIONS IS RETAINED.

Allies Insist That Guilt Rests With Vienna, As Revised Peace Terms Are Handed to Envoy—Roumanians Refuse to Sign Modifications.

Paris.—Chancellor Karl Renner, head of the Austrian peace delegation, left for Vienna with the peace treaty, which was handed to the Austrians. He indicated that he probably would ask for an extension of time, as the Austrian general assembly would meet Saturday and Sunday to discuss the terms. The Supreme Council, it is announced, will extend the time if Austria so requests.

Washington.—Practically all restrictions against trade with Hungary were removed by the War Trade Board. It was announced that licenses for the export of American-made goods to that country would be issued freely on all commodities except those of a strictly military nature, and that imports to the United States practically would be unrestricted. Articles which cannot be shipped to Hungary include: Aircraft, armor plate, armored motor cars, arms of all kinds, including machine guns; barbed wire, camp equipment, military clothing, electrical appliances suitable for military use, explosives designed primarily for use in war; field glasses, range finders, gun mounts and military wagons, implements and apparatus designed exclusively for the manufacture of implements of war, mines, projectiles, searchlights and wireless telegraph materials.

Monarch to Surrender Wealth.

Rome.—King Victor Emanuel has decided to surrender all the crown properties in favor of the peasants and for national work for former soldiers. Premier Nitti, at one of the first sittings of Parliament, which is to be opened Wednesday, will make this announcement. The crown properties of Italy are larger than those of any other country, since the house of Savoy inherited the properties of the rulers of the 11 states into which Italy was divided before the kingdom became united. During the war the King gave over his royal palace at Caserta, the Castle Moscati di Piedmont, for the use of his soldiers. His intention now is that the vast lands which he possesses virtually in every region of Italy shall go to the peasants who fought in the war, while his palaces, castles and other buildings shall be utilized for philanthropic purposes.

Closes His Eyes; Embraces Wife.

Chicago, Ill.—"I'll stay with you, Mary." With these words William F. Tanner, a cashier in the offices of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad here, closed his eyes, embraced his wife, whose foot was caught in a railroad frog, and was killed with her when a limited train on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad crashed into them. John Miller, a flagman, in attempting to rescue the couple, lost his left leg and sustained a fracture of the right arm. Three children are orphans because of the fateful decision of Tanner to die with his wife.

Ninety-Eight Per Cent of Work of Paying Money to Soldiers Is Finished.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The task of paying the \$80 bonus to discharged soldiers is 98 per cent complete, it was announced. Payments have been made to 1,574,000 soldiers who were discharged without having received it.

## 40,000 GERMANS TO FIGHT REDS

Troops and 300 Airplanes With Modern Equipment Mass in Lithuania.

TO HELP ADMIRAL KOLCHAK

Bolshevik Forces Abandon Town of Bobruisk, but Capture Village of Rytsk—Munich Soviet Leader Escapes Trial as Insane.

Paris, Sept. 1.—A German army of 40,000 men, with modern equipment and 300 airplanes, has assembled in Lithuania to march into Russia to help Admiral Kolchak.

Bolsheviks Lose Town.

London, Sept. 1.—Bolshevik forces have abandoned the town of Bobruisk, 88 miles southeast of Minsk, according to an official statement issued at soviet headquarters at Moscow. The statement, however, says that the bolsheviks have captured the town of Rytsk 62 miles southwest of Kursk.

Soviet Leader Escapes Trial.

Berlin, Sept. 1.—Doctor Lipp, who participated in the soviet government at Munich and issued orders which were considered amazing, has been declared incapable of standing trial because of his mental condition. For some time he has been confined in an insane asylum.

Fighting in Petrograd.

London, Sept. 1.—There has been severe fighting in the streets and public squares of Kronstadt, the bolshevik naval base, near Petrograd, according to dispatches from Copenhagen. Bodies were seen lying in the thoroughfares by allied airmen, the advices add.

## MINERS ON STRIKE IN W. VA.

Eleven Thousand Workers Demand Higher Wages and Recognition of Union—Clash With Guards.

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 1.—That 11,000 miners of the Guyan Valley coal fields will strike for higher wages and recognition of a union was the prediction of C. F. Keeney, president of Division 17, United Mine Workers of America. He said there were 2,500 miners on strike already. Reports of clashes between mine guards and striking miners in the Logan county coal fields were received by President Keeney late last night. Half a dozen miners were injured in fighting at Rum creek and fights occurred at Island creek and among miners employed by the Monitor Coal company, he said.

Huntington, W. Va., Sept. 1.—Efforts of foreign radicals to stir up strife in the Logan county coal fields have failed, according to Huntington coal operators, who say that less than two hundred miners have struck in these fields. Most of the strikers, the operators assert, are foreigners, who have endorsed a plan for soviet administration of the mines, not only in the Logan fields but throughout the southern section of the state.

## PEORIA STRIKE IS SPREADING

Car Service Suspended and Factory Men Are Asked to Join General Walkout.

Peoria, Ill., Sept. 7.—After bringing street car service to a complete standstill and reaching every home of the city through the walkout of ice handlers and bakers, leaders of the general strike against a manufacturers "blacklist" confined their efforts to influencing workers in the factories of Peoria to join the demonstration.

## FIRST DIVISION TROOPS RETURN

Nearly 1,800 Officers and Men Reach New York After Two Years' Service.

TO PARADE IN NEW YORK

General Pershing Expected to Ride at Head of Division on Fifth Avenue Sept. 10—Eight Transports Arrive From France.

New York, Sept. 1.—Nearly 1,800 officers and men of the First division, the first members of that outfit to return home after more than two years' service overseas, arrived from France.

Maj. Gen. Edward J. McGlachlin, Jr., commander of the division, his staff and detachments of the Twenty-eighth Infantry and First engineers were on the transport Orizaba, while 19 officers, with 30 enlisted men, comprising the advance section which is to make arrangements for the division's reception, returned on the transport Pastores.

Detachments of the Twenty-eighth Infantry to return comprised the field and staff headquarters, machine gun battalion, medical detachment and First battalion headquarters, medical, veterinary and ordnance detachments and companies B and C, a total of 13 officers and 380 men.

Other Units On Way.

Other units of the division are due to arrive within the next ten days on the transports Swanee, Liberator, Freedom, Amphion, Callao, Santa Teresa and Leviathan, which is expected to carry General Pershing and his staff. Members of the division will be sent to camps around New York pending the return of the last unit, when they will be the guests of the city for two or three days.

Pershing to Lead Division.

Tentative arrangements have been made for a parade of the division on Fifth avenue September 10. It is expected that General Pershing will ride at the head of the procession.

Eight transports, carrying 6,703 troops, arrived today from Brest. In addition to the Orizaba and the Pastores, they were the Graf Waldersee, Iowan, Peerless, Santa Leonora, Henry R. Mallory and Santa Malta, which brought casualties and small detachments from the service of supply.

## STATES HELP REDUCE H. C. L.

Governors Tell Attorney General That They Will Co-operate With Him.

Washington, Sept. 1.—State agencies began functioning in close co-operation with the federal government in the campaign to reduce the cost of living as a result of the conferences held with President Wilson and Attorney General Palmer by the committee of six state governors representing the governors' national conference. Assurances were given the attorney general by the committee that every state agency which could be of service in the emergency would be placed at his disposal for any information or assistance he might desire. The committee's endorsement of Mr. Palmer's suggestion that a fair price commissioner be appointed in each state and fair price committee in the different localities also was announced after the conference, at which the attorney general declared that if satisfactory results in the elimination of profiteering were not obtained through these instrumentalities the department of justice "would handle these questions directly." Need of increased production and greater economy in the consumption of the necessities of life were urged by the committee as a means of reducing the high cost levels.

## YANKS IN RUSSIA SAIL

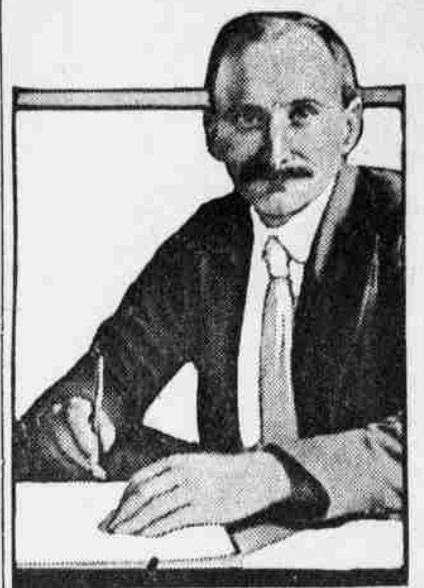
U. S. Transport Will Arrive at San Francisco in About 45 Days With 540 American Troops.

Vladivostok, Siberia, Sept. 1.—The United States transport Thomas, with 600 replacement troops, arrived here and later sailed with 540 American soldiers aboard for Manila by way of Nagasaki, arriving at San Francisco in about 45 days. This is the first large detachment of the American forces in Siberia to sail for home.

Three Men Killed.

Atlantic City, N. J.—When a motor truck, on which they were returning to this city, was struck by a Philadelphia & Reading Railway express train at Dorothy, near here, Samuel Sloss and Isidore Baline were killed. Samuel Gorton died soon after being taken to a hospital.

DR. D. C. BYERS



Dr. D. C. Byers of the University of Washington has been appointed chief of the division of chemistry, bureau of soils, department of agriculture. He will examine the quality and requirements of soils and investigate the fertility of farm lands.

## AIRMEN NOT SAVED

Missing U. S. Aviators Not Rescued by Mexicans.

Commander of U. S. Patrols Bring Information and Plans Further Search.

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 1.—Anxiety over the fate of Lieut. B. Waterhouse and Cecil H. Connelly, missing somewhere in lower California, Mexico, since they started from Yuma, Ariz., to their home station at Rockwell field, August 20, last, is again at a high pitch.

Ever since reports came in early last week that the missing men had been found by forces of Governor Cantu of lower California, local authorities have felt reassured regarding the aviators' fate, but a denial of the reports, apparently from an authentic source, late last night set machinery in motion for a further search for them.

Lieutenant Waterhouse's home is at Weiser, Idaho; Lieutenant Connelly's home is at San Diego.

Denial of the early reports was brought here by Maj. C. Hartwell, commanding American border patriots that have been searching for the missing men. Major Hartwell said he got his information direct from American Consul Sidney Smith at Ensenada, lower California, who telephoned him that Captain Trujillo, who was reported to have informed Colonel Barranca that the men were safe, knew nothing of the affair. Consul Smith told Major Hartwell Captain Trujillo was sitting in the American consulate when he read a report of his message in the American papers.

Major Hartwell was unable to say what action would be taken by the command in a further search. He said the question would be taken up with higher authority.

No information could be had from Rockwell field as to the plans of the aviators. It is known, however, that detachments from the aviation field are on watch for the men, and it is considered certain the search will be continued, as the war department's orders are to find the men dead or alive.

Major Hartwell said it had been learned definitely that the missing men were seen flying over the desolate wastes of lower California.

## CANADA AIDS FIGHT ON H. C. L.

Co-operates With the United States in Campaign to Reduce Prices.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 1.—Co-operation in the campaign against the high cost of living has been established between the United States and Canada. It is announced here by the board of commerce. It is expected the board will begin an investigation soon with the object of detecting violators of the new criminal law against overcharging. Unduly large quantities of food found in storage will be ordered on sale at reasonable prices.

Workmen and Students Ask Government for Improved Economic Conditions.

Santiago, Chile, Sept. 1.—Eighty thousand workmen and students participated in a demonstration here asking the government to augment production, form a food administration, stabilize money and bring about better economic conditions for workingmen and employees. The minister of the interior promised that measures would be taken to remedy the situation. Meetings were held throughout the country for the same purpose, but there was no disorder anywhere.